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Further to our conversation on the press and Congressional staffs:

- A <u>single telephone</u> contact point in shop and recorder are certainly possible. We're exploring several changes in that shop, including organizational changes.
- Direct suggestion: The Agency can benefit considerably from contact with the press by you and John, but privately, not at Headquarters. Dick Helms had a lot of contact downtown, at breakfast, etc., and we all benefitted. The troops are less likely to be as rigorously disciplined themselves when they see on-the-record interviews.
- Congressional staffs: The fact is that you have zero authority/ control over staff appointments. You can influence briefing attendance on a sources and methods or SCI clearance basis. Obviously the greatest gain comes from a solid relationship with the Chairmen.





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